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Final Polio Warning

The United States Public Health Service urges all adults, under the age of 35, or even 40, to get at least one Salk polio shot as protection against the paralytic form of poliomyelitis.

Too many Americans, the Public Health Service says, have concluded that the Salk polio vaccine is for children only and have failed to take advantage of the new serum. Yet the disease strikes many under the age of 35, and even up to 40 years old, and one or two shots—it takes eight months to get the three shots—will provide worthwhile protection.

Therefore, as a last warning, we urge all those under the age of 40 to consider getting at least one Salk inoculation, and preferably two. The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis thinks that if adults under 40 would do this, the nation could probably experience a summer without a serious polio epidemic for the first time in its history.

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On Going Steady

A leading newspaper recently conducted a poll on the question of youngsters sixteen and under going steady. By that, we mean a boy or girl dating only eachother, and none of their other friends.

It is interesting to note that most of those who replied, both teenagers and adults, agreed that youngsters sixteen and under do well not to limit their dates to one boy or girl.

While there is no rule which can be applied to everyone, either teenagers or adults, the results of this poll are interesting, if not unexpected. One view which might be kept in mind is that going steady at a very young age limits a young person in his or her contacts, experiences and associations. Assuming that most youngsters will eventually be married, it should also be mentioned that they will have, at this age, a number of years in which to concentrate all of their attention on their final choice.

But to those below the age of sixteen, who have a crush on one another, and are experiencing "true love," we do not necessarily contend that in all these cases it is only puppy love. It may well be the real thing, and it will be remembered that, in the old days, boys and girls often went together for many years before being married and it was not uncommon for youngsters to go together for five, six or seven years before marriage.

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Confederate Memorial Day

April 26th is celebrated as Confederate Memorial Day in Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Georgia. In North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee, the observance is held on May 10th. In various other Southern States, different days are used for the observance.

Confederate Memorial Day is, of course, an exclusively Southern observance. Decoration Day, which for many years was observed in memory of the triumph of the Grand Army of the Republic, is celebrated on May 30th outside the South.

Today, Memorial Day falls on May 30th and is observed fairly generally throughout the nation. It is a day to honor the memory of all those who participated in the wars of our country. Nevertheless, Confederate Memorial Day continues to be observed in the South.

It should be remembered that the South is the only section of the United States which ever experienced losing a war. Naturally, the hardships and trials of a reconstruction period are vivid memories in the South and it is not to be forgotten that many estates, many fortunes and many businesses were lost in the turbulence of reconstruction in the South. This part of the country had to struggle back to life and prosperity the hard way, without any aid program or without much aid from within, since our currency had become worthless upon the defeat of the Confederate armies.

Human understanding dictates sympathy for an honorable people, who fought an honorable struggle on points of principle, and lost. The recent notion, helped along by misleading movies and television, that the South fought a war for slavery, is an inaccurate description. Abraham Lincoln, U. S. Grant, Jefferson Davis and Robert E. Lee, among the foremost leaders of the period, all agreed that the war was fought on the question of state sovereignty, of local independence and local self-government and state government.

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Civilization may be the product of the world but it depends very largely on the United States for its present defense.

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—AGENT—

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Office of the Town Clerk
Town of Appomattox, Virginia
April 9, 1957

NOTICE is hereby given in pursuance of Section II of an Ordinance approved March 18, 1957, that bids shall be received for the franchise privilege and rights proposed to be granted by the following ordinance, by the presiding officer of the Council of the Town of Appomattox, Virginia, at the regular meeting of said Council, which will be held in the Council Chamber, on the 20 day of May, 1957, at the hour of 7:30 o'clock P. M., and after the receiving and opening of such bids, the Council will proceed with the consideration of the granting of the said proposed franchise in the mode prescribed by law.

All bids must be in writing. The right is hereby expressly reserved to reject any and all bids. The proposed franchise ordinance is in the words and figures following:

AN ORDINANCE

To provide for the grant by the Town of Appomattox, Virginia, to a person or persons, or to a corporation, its successors and assigns, hereafter to be ascertained in the mode prescribed by law, of the right for the term and upon the conditions herein stated, to use the streets, alleys and public places of said Town, and to acquire, erect, maintain and use, and if now constructed to maintain and use, poles, towers, wires and appliances over and along, and to acquire, construct, maintain and use, and if now constructed to maintain and use, conduits or subways, including necessary manholes, and to run cables and wires in, under and along the streets, alleys and public places of said Town, for the purpose of distributing and transmitting electric current for light, heat and power, and to supply and sell electric current for light, heat and power at any point within the corporate limits of said Town, as the same now exist or may hereafter be extended or altered.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA:

1. That there shall be granted in the mode prescribed by law for franchise grants and upon the conditions hereinafter specified, the rights and privileges on, over and under the streets, alleys and public places of the Town of Appomattox, Virginia, embodied in the following draft of an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE

To grant to

its successors and assigns, the right for the term and upon the conditions herein stated, to use the streets, alleys and public places of the Town of Appomattox, Virginia, and to acquire, erect, maintain and use, and if now constructed to maintain and use, poles, towers, wires and appliances over and along, and to acquire, construct, maintain and use, and if now constructed to maintain and use, conduits or subways, including necessary manholes, and to run cables and wires in, under and along the streets, alleys and public places of said Town for the purpose of distributing and transmitting electric current for light, heat and power, and to supply and sell electric current for light, heat and power at any point within the corporate limits of said Town, as the same new exist or may hereafter be extended or altered.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA:

Section 1. That the right is hereby gratned unto

* hereinafter referred to as the "grantee", its successors and assigns, for the term and subject to the conditions and limitations hereinafter stated, to use the streets, alleys and public places of the Town of Appomattox, Virginia, hereinafter referred to as the "Town", and to acquire, erect, maintain and use, and if now constructed to maintain and use, poles, towers, wires and appliances over and along, and to acquire, construct, maintain and use, and if now constructed to maintain and use, conduits or subways, including necessary manholes, and to run cables and wires in, under and along the streets, alleys and public places of the Town, for the purpose of distributing and transmitting electric current for light, heat and power, and to supply and sell electric current for light, heat and power at any point within the corporate limits of the Town, as the same now exist or may hereafter be extended or altered.

Section 2. From and after the date on which this ordinance shall become effective, the poles and other structures in, under and along the streets, alleys and public places of the Town, authorized by this ordinance to be located and constructed, shall be located at reasonably suitable and convenient points. If and when requested by the Mayor or other proper administrative officer of the Town, the grantee shall, from time to time, file with the Town plans showing the location of proposed additional poles or structures, and obtain a permit therefor prior to their construction in, under and along the streets, alleys and public places of the Town.

Section 3. In the location and erection of the poles, conduits and other structures and fixtures and in stringing the wires as herein authorized, the said grantee shall have the right to trim, cut and keep clear of its wires and fixtures the trees in and along the streets, alleys and public places of the Town, but shall not cut or otherwise injure said trees to any greater extent than is reasonably necessary in the construction, maintenance and operation of the said poles, wires, fixtures and other structures of the said grantee as herein authorized and provided.

Section 4. In the event the said grantee shall, in the construction or repair of its works, injure any pavement, sidewalk, sewer, water or other pipe or works belonging to the Town, it shall, upon notice thereof from the Mayor, promptly repair the same at its own cost and expense.

Section 5. The said grantee shall, when so requested by the Council of the Town, permit its poles, towers and other structures to be used without compensation by said Town for the purpose of placing thereon any traffic lighting, fire or police alarm, telegraph or telephone wires which may be necessary for the exclusive use of the police or fire department of the Town, provided that such use by the Town shall not interfere with the proper use of said poles, structures and fixtures by the said grantee, and that the location and character of said wires and fixtures of the said Town shall be subject to the approval of the grantee herein, and provided further that the said Town shall, and it hereby agrees to, indemnify and save harmless the said grantee from any and all loss, damage, cost or expense to, or which may be incurred by said grantee, or to which it may be subjected by reason of or as a result of the use of said poles and structures by the Town as in this section provided.

Section 6. The said grantee agrees and binds itself, by the acceptance of this ordinance, to indemnify, keep and hold the Town free and harmless from liability on account of injury or damage to person or property growing out of the construction, improvement, maintenance, repair and operation of its lines or works, and in the event that suit shall be brought against the Town, either independently or jointly with said grantee on account thereof, the said grantee, upon notice to it by the Town, will defend the Town in any such suit at the cost of said grantee, and, in event of a final judgment being obtained against the Town, either independently or jointly with said grantee, the said grantee will pay such judgment, with all costs, and hold the Town harmless therefrom; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to render said grantee liable for the negligence of the Town, its agents or employees or of any other person or corporation.

Section 7. The rights and privileges herein set forth are granted and conferred upon the said grantee, upon the express condition and understanding on the part of the said grantee, that it will render to the public in the Town within the territory served by the said grantee, at all times during the term of this ordinance, an efficient light and power service at reasonable rates, and that it will maintain its properties, works and structures located within the Town in good order throughout the term of this grant, and the said grantee by accepting this ordinance expressly agrees that the State Corporation Commission shall have jurisdiction, to the full extent and in the manner now or hereafter during the life of this ordinance provided by law, to require the said grantee to render an efficient service at reasonable rates, and to maintain its property in good order throughout the term of this grant, and to otherwise enforce the provisions of this section to the full extent provided by law.

Section 8. Any person who shall maliciously or wrongfully tamper or interfere with, cut, injure or destroy any of the poles, wires, fixtures or other property of the said grantee, constructed and maintained in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance, within the corporate limits of the Town, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

Section 9. All the rights and privileges hereby granted to said grantee may be exercised by any successor or successors, assignee or assignees of the said grantee, but said successor or successors, assignee or assignees shall be subject to all the provisions, obligations and stipulations and penalties herein prescribed.

Section 10. The rights and privileges hereby granted shall continue for the period of thirty years from and after the final passage of this ordinance, unless the same be sooner voluntarily surrendered by the said grantee, with the consent of the Council of the Town, or unless the same be sooner forfeited as provided by law.

Upon the expiration of the term of this grant and upon the termination of the rights hereby granted, by surrender, forfeiture or otherwise, all of the poles, wires, conduits, lines and other property of the said grantee in the streets, alleys or public places of the Town shall be removed from the streets, alleys and public places of said Town at the expense of the owner within a reasonable time after the expiration or termination of said rights and privileges, such time to be prescribed by the Council of the Town.

Section 11. This ordinance and the rights and privileges hereby granted and conferred shall not become effective unless and until the said grantee shall file with the Mayor of the Town its written acceptance thereof, in form satisfactory to the Mayor, and shall enter into a bond in the sum of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000), with surety satisfactory to the Mayor, conditioned to the effect that the grantee will construct and maintain, or if constructed, will maintain, the plant or plants provided for herein and reasonably necessary for the exercise of the rights and privileges granted in and by this ordinance, and will maintain the same in good order throughout the term of this grant, and will comply with the terms, provisions and conditions of this ordinance in all respects.

Section 12. The right is hereby granted to the grantee, insofar as the Town may lawfully grant such right, to operate the existing poles, wires and appurtenances, constructed within the corporate limits of the Town on the date this franchise is effective, and heretofore operated as an electric light and power distribution system within the Town as a part of the electric light and power distribution system of the grantee to be constructed and operated under this franchise.

Section 13. This ordinance shall be in force from its passage.

II. That upon the approval of this ordinance by the Mayor, the Town Clerk shall advertise once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town, a notice of the adoption of the ordinance in the foregoing form, and in addition he shall post a copy of the ordinance, invite bids and rights proposed to be granted by said ordinance, which bids must be in writing and addressed to the presiding officer of the Council of the Town, and submitted at the regular meeting of said Council to be held next after the expiration of the advertisement; and at such regular meeting the said bids shall be opened by the Council by the Town Clerk and the same shall be dealt with in the manner prescribed in the franchise ordinance, and the Council shall expressly reserve the right to reject any and all bids. The successful bidder shall be required to pay all costs incident to the granting of the franchise in addition to the amount of his bid by it.

III. This ordinance shall be in force from its passage.

Passed by the Council of the Town of Appomattox on the 18 day of April, 1957.

Rebecca Wright
Clerk
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Garden Talk

By Edith P. Gregory
Garden Club

Let's talk about Japanese iris, gorgeous iris that most of the bearded iris (I. Kaempferi) in somewhat acid soil sunny location is best but they will thrive in Up until flowering time abundant water at their this they can get along moderately moist should not be disturbed than is necessary, which center of the clump be-long to bloom the following year. This is an inexpensive way of obtaining a considerable variety of these lovely flowers.

forms of Japanese Iris spectacular. When well may attain a height of feet, and the flowers may be almost a foot across, with the "petals" — three, six, or nine of them— held almost horizontally and looked upon from over their heads.

The names of the numerous garden forms are not reliable, since some of them are an attempt to translate the original Japanese names into English, and some have retained the Japanese names. Some dealers have apparently refused to use either, and have invented new ones. The following are good varieties when and if available:

1. Betty F. Holmes, double white with lemon-yellow throat;
2. Blue Giant, a soft deep blue;
3. Dominator, single, deep blue with narrow white stripes;
4. Gold Bound, double, white with gold bands;
5. Mt. Hood, double, light blue with darker shades, orange center;
6. Pink Pearl, double, pink and violet.

There are some nurseries which offer a good strain of seeds of Japanese Irises. These, if sown early in the spring, can be grown a

When this happens, it time in September, to change, separate the clumps from its periphery, them. Thrips are sometimes, but they can be stopped by dusting or with DDT every ten days or

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Washington Notes

SENATE INVESTIGATION

The Senate Finance Committee, led by Senator Byrd (D.-Va.) recently voted unanimously to conduct its own study of the "financial condition of the United States." Senator Byrd said it would be "one of the broadest investigations ever undertaken by Congress."

FEDERAL PAY ROLL

The Federal pay roll hit an all-time high, a billion dollars a month, in January, according to U. S. Senator Harry F. Byrd, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee. The Senator said the total civilian employees on the U. S. Government pay-roll reached 2,390,507 in February.

PROTON SYNCHROTON

Soviet scientists have successfully tested the world's largest proton synchroton; designed to achieve 10,000,000,000 electron volts of energy. It thus becomes the world's largest accelerator, surpassing the University of California's Bevatron at Berkeely.

SAUDI ARABIA

Saudi Arabia and the United States have signed an agreement extending for five years the right of U. S. forces to use the Dhahran air base. In return, this country will train a small Saudi - Arabian navy, air force and army, and construct a civil air terminal.

SALK VACCINE

Basil O'Connor, president, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, has announced the present temporary shortage of Salk polio vaccine is not cause for alarm. He added that estimates indicate enough vaccine will be released between now and June 30 to provide two shots to all persons 40 and under who want them.

AUTO DEALERS

More than 1,000 automobile dealers called it quits during 1956, and as of January 1, there were 39,648 dealerships in this country. The number has decreased in five of the last six years—a period that included the auto industry's three biggest production years, 1950, 1953, and 1955.

FARM ACREAGE DIPS

United States farmers may plant the smallest total crop acreage this year since 1817, according to the annual "prospective Plantings" report of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Excluding cotton, the plantings of sixteen spring crops may be 2,000,000 acres less than last year. Major reductions are in prospect for spring wheat and rice. Feed grain acreage may be slightly larger than in 1956. The tentative total for 59 crops for 1957 of 334,000,000 is about 12,000,000 acres less than in 1956, the lowest in 40 years.

HOME BUILDING

By February of this year, the rate of new dwelling starts had dropped to 910,000, the lowest since 1949, and the trend is still downward. To ease the situation, the Government has restored the five per cent down payments on home purchases financed by Government-insured mortgages on the first $9,000 of the value of a new or old home bought with an FHA-insured mortgage, and from 3½ to 25 per cent on the balance up to $20,000.

JOBS

Employment in March rose to 63,866,000, setting a record for the month, according to the Commerce Department. Unemployment declined to 2,882,000. It is customary for employment to increase in March, and to keep climbing to a summer peak. A March decrease in unemployment is also normal.

U. S. ARMY

Secretary of the Army Brucker recently said that, despite Great Britain's plans to reduce her armed forces, the United States would need a 1,000,000-man army for at least two years and that he would press for an extension of the draft beyond 1959.

HARWOOD INVITED TO AMOCO CEREMONY

Yorktown, Va.- A. R. Harwood, Jr., Appomattox Hardware Co., Appomattox, Va., was among the special guests invited to attend the formal dedication of Americal Oil Company's new multi-million-dollar Yorktown Refinery here today.

Donald J. Smith, American Oil president, who had spent nearly 41 years in the oil industry, dedicated the modern 35-000-barrel-per -day refinery, the first galosine-manufacturing facility ever built in Virginia, in brief ceremonies held just before noon.

Other speakers included Virginia's Governor Thomas B. Stanley.

$2 MILLION TITHE

Dallas, Tex.- Toddie Lee Wynne, Dallas oilman, concluded a deal which made him a multimillionaire. The oilman promptly turned over to the Texas Presbyterian Foundation a check for ten per cent of the net, or about $2,000,000. Members of his family said they have practiced tithing—the custom of giving a tenth or a specific share of wealth for religious or charitable purposes —for many years.

AUTOMATIC PROTECTION

Atlantic City.- Within fifteen minutes after Sol Caviness reported his car stolen, police found it—within a few blocks of his home. The gas tank was empty.

East German Reds hold warlike manuevers.

The Soviet Union recently exploded another nuclear bomb, the Atomic Energy Commission announced. This was the fourth blast in the current series of Soviet tests since April 3.

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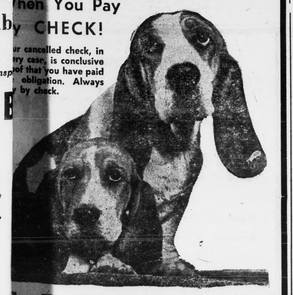

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